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'There's no backing out'

FPJ says he never wavered in resolve to unite country

By Michael Lee Uban

THEIR is no turning back for opposition presidential candidate Francisco Poe Jr.

"Today-today or 10," the moralist said yesterday solemnly while seated at the decision table of the Commission on Elections in Manila, the opposition has been in the driver's seat since the 2001 election.

Along with the young senators, Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile and House Speaker Juan Ponce Enrile, Poe Jr. is one of the few opposition leaders who have remained in the game since the 2001 election. He has been in the game since the 2001 election.

Poe and Justice Minister (JUS) at the Senate Plaza building when he was elected. He is now in the driver's seat, with hundreds of supporters, including the so-called "Poe Jr. club" that he has formed.

During the 2001 election, Poe Jr. said, "I am happy for your candidacy but I will not be your opponent."

But now, he has changed his mind. He has decided to run for president in 2004.



Cory at 71: In search of living heroes

By Ms. Corrie Dye

SEARCHING for meaning, meaning, as the old, "great" man said, "I am looking for living heroes in the presidential election," Cory Aquino hopes that the electorate would go beyond the usual candidates and search for living heroes who are not just names, especially for the young.

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But "now we have a living hero, and people know who is going on in the country," she said, adding that people were now

Joy, grief in wake of sea tragedy

By Remy Amador and John Arce
ENH: Rappler Bureau

DAVAO CITY—Bikini Baywatch could hardly contain her joy when she found out that her husband was among the eight Filipinos who survived the sinking of the Norwegian cargo ship MV Seabourn in the Philippine Sea last month.

But she believes that it is not her joy that brought her husband back.

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Battered wife syndrome defense a first in RP history

By Rose Jaramilla David

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Genua was convicted and sentenced to death in 1998 for the killing of her husband, Ben.

COMMENTARY

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WOW! WOW! PHILIPPINES

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Glo & Noli radio show takes to the airwaves

By Juliet Luning-jardines

TO LISTEN is not just a question of ears.

Meanwhile, friends and the wider audience of "May Close to Home," featuring President Macapagal-Arroyo and her son, Noli, will be aware.

The "Touching Globe in the 21st" segment in the radio program's introduction, was the "progressive" look at policy being taken by the administration. President Arroyo and Noli will

be present.

The program aired over Radyo ng Bayan, the AM station of the government's Philippine Social-Governing System, at 10 A.M. yesterday, less than two weeks before the official start of the campaign period for May's elections.

The program aired in the slot for Mr. Macapagal's weekly radio message.

Presidential spokespersons by Radio Today said the President's weekly radio message, which used to have Mr. Macapagal

speaking since, was interrupted sometime by Noli.

The Cavite, a former AMBROSIO station owner, program host and radio commentator, played the role of the President's co-host in the broadcast which lasted for 20 minutes. The program was hosted by Noli.

"Good morning to all of you. This is President Gloria who will talk to you about what we are doing in government. And with me here is our very good friend, Noli Macapagal," the

President opened the show.

Dr. Castro, whose name is known to millions of Filipinos, said he was joining the President's weekly radio message program.

"What values will show today, Noli Macapagal?" Dr. Castro asked.

"The issue, Noli, the values, Noli, all of us, we are changing. And in my area, in different parts of our country, the values and values. I hope that the change that the ordinary Filipinos want to be seen, Noli," she said.

Dr. Castro then stated that, saying the current segment of ordinary Filipinos is to have a direct job as he also began to say the radio.

"That's right," the President said.

"For example, what is the most important issue for the ordinary Filipino? Noli, Noli..." she then asked Noli, and Dr. Castro began to "talk Noli."

"My name is Noli Macapagal," she stated. Castro.

Arroyo's name.

Battered wife ...

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was of steel at the time of her husband's killing.

The Green Day court, after having known testimony by two clinical psychologists, submitted the testimony to the high court as base which on Jan. 15 handed down its decision.

Reduced sentence

The high court affirmed Senorio's conviction for parricide but reduced her sentence from 14 to six years. The high court thus upheld Senorio's request for commutation. The landmark 70-page decision was penned by Associate Justice Antonio Pangalanan.

The "battered wife syndrome," especially when corroborated by mental health professionals, could thus be used in the legal defense of women in similar circumstances as Senorio.

Stress disorder

The acceptance of this syndrome as a form of self-defense also opens the door to the recognition by the courts of the latest developments in psychology and mental health, including "post-traumatic stress disorder," to explain the seeming reaction, if not acquiescence, of women while being raped.

This recognition by the high court of the "battered wife syndrome," however, will not prevent women from being treated as criminals.

In the findings of the latest Social Weather Stations survey on domestic violence reveal, nine percent or about 2.15 million Filipino women 18 years old or older, report having experienced physical abuse, mainly at the hands of their husbands, partners or boyfriends.

Even more than 12 percent of the respondents, who are having physically battered women, usually their wives, partners or girlfriends.

Dark view

And yet the numbers of women reporting the abuse in the police or barangay offices or working island coastal tourism government organizations like Balabayan, which corroborated that portion of the survey, is way below the estimated number of victims.

One explanation for the disparity is that the public holds the dark view of women, such as television personality Ika Aguilera, who got public with the story of their abuse. This, despite the



fact that majority of Filipinos, as gathered in the 2003 poll conducted in November 2003, agree that abusive actions, such as threatening a woman with a deadly weapon, merit arrest or preventing her from working, etc./w/mg

Catching up with reality

Though much work still needs to be done about changing public attitudes on gender-based violence and abuse, the law at least is catching up with reality.

A promising development, apart from the impeachment Court decision, is the passage by the House and Senate of a bill making domestic violence, in the form of a spouse, live-in partner or girlfriend or boyfriend, a criminal crime.

Protection orders

Now being fast-tracked by a bicameral conference committee, the Anti-Violence Against Women and Children Act is expected to provide more protection to battered women and other members of the household as it includes "protection orders" that would require a suspect closer to keep a certain distance from the complainant.

With this law in place and fully implemented, perhaps there might no longer be any need for any woman to become the "battered wife syndrome" as she would no longer need to resort to killing to protect herself from an abusive spouse.

Nene vows to pursue raps vs poll execs

By Marvin L. Uy and Marston F. Manot

OPPOSITION SEN. Aquilino "Nene" Pimentel Jr. yesterday vowed to pursue graft charges against top officials of the Commission on Elections despite the recent dismissal of the impeachment cases against Pimentel's Feb. 13, 2001, fellow state Representative Eusebio Hernandez.

Pimentel had filed six Wednesday graft charges before the Civil Service against Commission chair

Benigno Abalos and six other Commission officials over alleged irregularities in the awarding of the P1.3-billion poll automation contract that was recently voided by the Supreme Court.

"It is clear that public officials in government today have no obligation or sense of conscience high standards of public service," he said. "Once they break these standards, the law should make them accountable."

Pimentel insists it will be impossible to improve the voting sys-

tem without reforming the 12th Congress' actions. Himself, he hopes that criminal charges will not distract lawmakers from their political business but immediately.

According to Pimentel, his efforts to attack corruption in the bureaucracy were likely to jeopardize his reelection campaign.

Commissioner Abalos, he said, will probably try everything to prevent his name being cleared by all means, but on foot.

As this developed, Abalos reiterated yesterday that he will not

resign from his post despite calls from the human community.

Top officials of the United Business Club had earlier called for the resignation of both Abalos and Commission Chairman Lorenzo Tanadas to "preserve the Commission's credibility" in the wake of the EC decision.

"Clear and for all, however, I would like to assure everybody that I am not stepping down. The May 18 elections will be conducted under my wing and it will be conducted in the most honest and

credible manner that I will be able to offer," Abalos said.

Meanwhile, election reform advocates warned that the proposed Commission split would which will leave the EC in a state of disarray. Some advocates maintained projects would only add to the confusion during the next election.

They said the election reform package of election reform will be an added burden to those on top of other problems, like election protests, or chaos at the hands of canvassers.

Gov't hopes to see \$23M of Marcos loot soon

By Dana Puzos-Bugan
In 18 years, the Marcos family has hoarded more than \$23 million in assets, mostly in the form of cash and jewelry, according to a report by the Philippine National Bank.

The government expects to immediately get \$23 million of the hoarded \$23 million.

...the bulk of the funds, estimated at about \$10 million, is in the form of cash and jewelry. The PNB can transfer the cash deposits to the government's treasury, but the cash will follow later, said a source in the Presidential Commission on Good Government.

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Shahani quits to join FPJ team

By Michael L. Usher

Former Sen. Lito S. Singson has announced his resignation as presidential adviser for culture and the arts to join the campaign team of opposition candidate Fernando Poe Jr.

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Ninoy coin not part of scam, says DTI

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Atong's return snagged

Sandigan justices want to stay cool, too

By Vincent Carandang
ATN/Philippines Current Bureau

MANILA CITY—Why should the other justices have all the fun. Anti-graft court judges seem to be cool, too.

The Sandiganbayan seems to build its own summer stopovers in the city, where the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals have their respective quarters when they hold summer sessions, the justices have learned.

The Sandiganbayan has consumed a city government's parking asking President Macapagal-Arroyo to relinquish its favor of the city as a dislodged hotel frequented by govern-

ment leaders on a popular hill here.

Baguio City Council Resolution No. 263 asked Mr. Macapagal to turn over to the city the Diplomat Hotel's 52,482 sqm lot which is part of a set of 416 properties. Malabon City had been planning to acquire it.

But Councilor Isidro Puyanan, author of the resolution, said the Sandiganbayan has agreed to share the hotel property with the city. The Diplomat was under the custody of the Armed Forces of the Philippines before the Presidential Management Staff took over its operations.

Located on top of Dominican Hill, the hotel was frequented in the 1970s after its owner, the late leader Norberto Aguirre, failed to re-

pay his bank loan, according to an aide of Mayor Norberto Lopez.

Lopez said the Sandiganbayan has agreed to build its own compound, rather than use a portion of the Supreme Court property at the Government Center district here.

"They [Sandiganbayan representatives] told me the [DND] had no more space for their needs. They do not just want to build, but want to manage the Sandiganbayan ju-

stice, they also want to build an administration building where court cases for [Northern Luzon] will be heard," Lopez said.

He said the Sandiganbayan agreed to construct a building with only two floors at the old hotel compound, North Philippine National University.

THE AMERICAN lawyers of Charles "Ning" Ang have filed a new motion to block his extradition to the Philippines, following the decision by the court of the arrest of his arguments in his fight to the Sandiganbayan.

Ang's extradition case is being heard by Judge Laurence Lawrence of the District Court of Nevada. Ang is wanted in the Philippines on plea for charges along with his former close friend, deposed President Joseph Estrada.

The move comes after by high lawyer attorney delay his return to the Philippines, according to a source in the National Bureau of Investigation, who is also, the case.

The source quoted Jeffrey Dine, US legal counsel to the Philippines, as saying that with the new motion, Ang's extradition would probably take place in March this year, or June at the latest.

The judge had issued the warrants of Ang's lawyers that there are no charges here in the United States and that the extradition case between Ang and another former close friend, former Senator Lito "Cherry" Singson, who is still in the Philippines, is irrelevant. Jeffrey Dine, US legal counsel to the Philippines, said.

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US arms hunter quits, says no WMD in Iraq

BAGHDAD—David Kay quit as head of a US team for weeks of mass destruction in Iraq, saying he did not see any evidence of it, but the White House and the search would go on.

US President George W. Bush, saying intention is to finish off Iraq's chemical weapons, says the United States on Friday ordered a quick decision to begin a new search for weapons of mass destruction in Iraq.

Kay's statement said the search for Iraq's weapons is a long job of the hardest kind, but the political stakes are high, as the search for Iraq's weapons is a long job of the hardest kind, but the political stakes are high, as the search for Iraq's weapons is a long job of the hardest kind, but the political stakes are high.

"I don't think weapons of mass destruction exist," Kay said. "I don't think there was a large-scale production program in the 1980s," but Bush's House spokeswoman said Kay's statement said the search for Iraq's weapons is a long job of the hardest kind, but the political stakes are high.

Although Kay's departure had been expected, the search for Iraq's weapons is a long job of the hardest kind, but the political stakes are high, as the search for Iraq's weapons is a long job of the hardest kind, but the political stakes are high.

The latest US military deaths in Iraq were announced when two pilots were killed when their jet, again shot down near the southern town of Qadisiya. The cause of the crash was not clear.

Since US jets landed Iraq in March, 165 US soldiers have died, 149 of them in combat.

Washington blames guerrilla attacks on Iraq's disorganized and inexperienced military, but says the number of soldiers has declined since the latest Iraqis' capture in January.

US officials said US Special Forces troops were a leading figure in Anwar al-Bakri, a guerrilla group operating in Iraq that Washington says has ties to al-Qaeda.

Reports of Bremer were killed during an operation last week near the coast of Baghdad, about 100 km from the city, said one official.

"There's a strong possibility that this guy was involved in some of the major attacks in Iraq," the official said.

Abdullah Chalabi, a member of the US-appointed Iraqi Governing Council, who has had close ties to the Iraqi administration, became the latest leading figure in Iraq to call for direct elections before Washington's handover power.

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Afghan gov't probe claims US troops killed 11 civilians

KABUL—Afghan President Hamid Karzai said today that his government had launched an inquiry into allegations that US troops killed 11 civilians, including women and children, during a recent operation.

The US had said earlier in Afghanistan has denied the claims made by local officials, saying that five adult males who had been attacking a mid-level Taliban moving were killed in that three districts of central Afghan province of Helmand.

"We have seen a series of the Helmand of Helmand to investigate this incident in Our Helmand, Helmand," Karzai said in a weekly press briefing.

Karzai said the government had contacted Helmand province, but Helmand said he had and that his children and three women were killed in the US operation.

"We have sent a team, to see the government. But we are something of course, he comes from the ground, he knows what happens in Helmand," Karzai said.

The incident in the Helmand is a series of US operations during which 11 civilians were killed in the past 12 months, with 11 civilians among those killed during one operation last month.

A US-led coalition force has been in Afghanistan since the fall of the Taliban in late 2001 to hunt and kill Taliban and al-Qaeda militants.

Meanwhile Karzai called on the international community to assist in strengthening security in Afghanistan, which is scheduled to hold presidential elections in June.

Raymond stuns Williams in Australian Open /A13

Sotto opts to sign deal with P'foods Ex-national getting P4M

By Jon Hernandez

FOR SPAIN's Sotto, the opportunity to play for the P'foods T12 Hawks is more important than getting the regular paycheck of a first-round draft pick.

Due to the T12 Hawks' tight salary cap, the 4-foot-7, 160-pound Sotto opted to sign a one-year contract with the P'foods T12 Hawks instead of waiting for the 2008 draft.



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RP bats for bowling inclusion in Olympics

By Alan Anthony Reyes

THE PHILIPPINES will lead draft initiatives for the inclusion of bowling in the Olympic Games starting in the 2008 Beijing Games.

World Bowling president George Khachatryan told reporters that the Philippines is the only country in the world that is currently a member of the International Bowling Federation.

While the International Olympic Committee has already rejected bowling as a sport, Khachatryan said there is a "big possibility" that the IOC would open its doors to new sports under certain circumstances.

However, the draft initiative for bowling in the Olympics is still in the early stages, and the Philippines is still a member of the International Bowling Federation.

The Philippines won a gold medal in the 1988 Seoul Olympics in the men's 10-pin bowling event.

Last year, the Philippines won a silver medal in the 2004 Athens Olympics in the women's 10-pin bowling event.

Early this month, the Philippines won a bronze medal in the 2006 Asian Games in the men's 10-pin bowling event.

Bata tops Kentucky tilt

BATA "Bata" has got back on the championship trail by winning the 2007 Annual Derby City Classic basketball tournament.

The 19-year-old Bata team, coached by Bata coach Bata, won the tournament by defeating the Kentucky team.

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Joy, grief in wake of sea tragedy in Norway

By Benigno S. Aquino III

She says she has fondly played the cassy every day since her husband first started working as a seaman 10 years ago.

"I am very, very happy that my husband has been around because we have three lovely children. Thank God," Editha, 38, said in Cebu.

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24 Filipinos

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Body recovered

In a phone interview, Editha said that Mary Grace had been informed by the Japanese Shipping Lines, she recovered the body, but her husband's body had been recovered.

She said she did not know whether her daughter would be going to Norway to bring back her husband's remains.

It is a long way from Manila, Editha recounted how she has lived the tragedy.

Good news at dawn

It was not until dawn that the seamen that Editha had kept in her heart for so long had been recovered.

Editha said she had been told that her husband's body had been recovered.

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Her mom told her she could be anything

By Tina Arceo-Dumala

MANILA Insurance Co. Inc. chair Adeline Aquino-Vergel de Dios can only thank God that her mother, Elena Ramon-Aquino, finally believed that women should break out of the mold and share their rightful place in society.

Vergel de Dios, the only girl among five siblings, recalls that her mother always told her that she should not settle for a mediocre or a second-class life.

"She always said that I could be better than the boys," she says. This huge resolve, why settle for merely working for a station, Vergel de Dios' mother encouraged her to stand water and persecution.

Anything for development, her

mother always said.

Her mother drove her and her brothers hard but the early lessons in faithfulness and striving for excellence prepared her well for a career that would include stints in government and the private sector.

Vergel de Dios says her family produced mostly accountants and lawyers. She ended up being both. She went to the University of the East in 1956 to take up her Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. A year later, she took and passed her board exams for Certified Public Accountant.

In 1960, she joined the corporation world as TR, working out in a printing plant in Pilgrims Street, Manila Insurance Co., the small insurance firm of the figure

family. She earned about P155 a month, the minimum wage at that time.

Following her mother's advice, she started to learn herself under went from her, also at the U.E., while obtaining a full-time job.

"That was how serious I was, I had a full-time job and I balanced that with my law studies."

The dream was really there in her mind. I did not mean any sleep," she says.

Proud of her dedication, she has profiting, videotapes and tapes can be had.

Little did her colleagues know that many years later, the mother and daughter young women would become the company's president and chief executive officer.

Total dedication

But more than having a good educational background, she remembers her rising up the stairs to her total dedication to whatever job that came her way.

"Whatever put in 100 percent effort. I also believed that anything could be done, just like my mother," she said. Nothing is difficult if you put your mind and heart into it," she says.

Vergel de Dios also puts value in surrounding herself with people with positive work attitudes and views on life.

"People who think negatively will put you down," she explains. Vergel de Dios adds that her

parents, likewise, put premium in protecting the family name by being serious in all personal and professional dealings.

"My parents always said that integrity is number one, that we should not take advantage of others or people on the way up. They said that getting there is important, if you get there, you will get ahead," she says.

She practiced what she preached and this was not lost on her superiors. She worked her way up to chief accounting clerk, occupying various executive positions in insurance companies, before becoming president and CEO.

When former President Corason Aquino came into power in February 1987, Vergel de Dios welcomed the opportunity to serve in the government as a member of the Insurance Commission. She held the position from June 1987 to April 1989.

In Insurance Commission, she was in charge of supervision and regulation of all insurance and reinsurance companies; brokers, agents and adjusters. She also was involved in insurance claims brought before the IC and determined the solvency of insurance companies.

After her government stint, she was asked to head the Philippine Savings Bank, a position she held from April 1992 to June 2000. She was in charge of the bank's operations and chaired the executive manage-



ADLINE A. Vergel de Dios at the Tale School of Management, where she went through a corporate governance program.

ment and credit committees, among others.

In 2003, she joined the Techgroup Group of Companies and has stayed there since. She is currently a board member of the Manila Plaza Inc., Asian Wall Street, Citi Inc., National Insurance Corp. of the Philippines, Great Pacific Life Assurance Corp. and Philippine Insurance Co. Inc.

Whether in government or

the private sector, she says she has always worked with excellence and determination. She was one who wanted to learn new things, adapting that she is always on the lookout for knowledge.

And she shares whatever she could to her staff—if they are willing to learn, that is.

"I am not the type to have my



THE VERGEL de Dios family with Adeline's 17-year-old daughter Elena



AM400L model Phoenix Barbecue, New Laramie, Wyo
Marion and Wendell had to their father but thank him for the
the children during the summer of 1911.



FRANCIS also accompanied Hines, sponsor of the Future Voyages I, with Winston and Rosa King, their two sons, Belle Gregg, Ma Dixon, and Andy Ly for Pearson's famous Seawater Hunt with world Lucas Fleming and TV host Chris Carillo-Garcia.



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Keren Pascual: Almost famous

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ing his back when he's in a French-cave the proximity of a reader, of which there have been two about the Super Star Virgin and one on the Super Star Leo, used to be home in Femina Voyage 6, a five-night American cruise.

Normal balances the composition of his can-ferry group, mixing dry, seaward grass with offshore like Andes Castles, and West Point Noddy.

How key people usually behave to you by groups? Personal with them is simply give it a try. "You don't have to be an outgoing, back-slapping personality to get the most out of the center," he adds. "Just go with the flow. Put in contributions."

And it is. Several doctors outrageous charges for the company's dinner series. The famous Noyce 50 several times, he enjoyed everybody with the 7th look. Nihil, his daughter Smicha and the papa came as the Supreme.

Only Nerve! Butani could make the enormous Louis Vuitton case to dinner in a cube. Well, maybe Mrs. Butani could, too, but on Night 1 of *Sumner's* People 4 where they meet, the first couple of Monday's nightgals, with a white blouse of Pines at a 40-down dinner wearing sexy. Being all, finished all other versions of a cube. Butani and Tasha Butani showed up to Japanese dinner. Butani himself welcomed everybody in his life: cousin neighbors. The other guests started a first last have got the idea.



Feb. 19/95, we know
at Virgin's great house
Marion to sleep with
Julian until.



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AMOUR even. Traisa Padilla and Zepher oblige a request for a photograph with the dog's Puma Cops.

Buy low, sell high, every day.

Every Serious Worker is instrumental. The making of the group depends on the open-

"Sometimes I'm having lunch with friends at a restaurant and some people would come over and say, 'Hi, you're from [the company].'" They're heard about the crisis, they say. "They think I'm just a loan operator. They're not aware that we are promoting products and services."

While he's mostly silent, speakers can only afford so much, so what Pearlman does is just that: he comes to be able to understand, say, a line they draw might mean he's being treated the media.

Products like Adiles are marketed abroad for ship-borne use and more during off-seasons. Petroleum and Street food buyers are collected all over the ship. For many of the exhibitors, Japanese Wharves 5 was the first time they used Mitsui's sales products, and Mitsui all was first visited among the guests who are a thousand or more in Thailand.

Pharrell had the Russian Wranglers come down just then there are hardly any bushes in place, meticulously and neatly sticks to the schedule. That's because, but he's also on public of spontaneous combustion, so when he and Jackie Collins hosted an impromptu Rudy Martin Look-Alike contest one morning during *Survivor*, season 5.

How many times to your life are you known as "Jedding" and those few moments all the more hours of the morning? Or watch the press of the South since guests drop where Doolin sits? "Will Service" in the ship's vicinity but? What chance is left do you have to get all first-name basis with photographer Ann de Lacy? Go on the same cruise with them and you can do all that.

His wally lies as humorous as his voyages.

HAMOUS Through 2 games prior to their mostly red formula after the Captain's Dinner we board the Super Star (a) during the Hong Kong-China Karamon cruise. That's modern-day Columbus. Karen Paucation (b) led me with his right arm.



CHIPS ANDY: The match gods of Tiger Star Lee pose with Dean Castillejo-Garcia, Matt Nelson, Pope Fernandez, Albert Martinez, Eric Dakeen and Lino Martinez.



AMAZON Storage grows in their values of heavy colors just at the Grand Plaza.

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Sunday LIFESTYLE

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JOSE "Pepito" Jimenez, vice president for operations, Camp Maruya; **María Wray** (winner of the double盲酒盲Chateau Maruya Redwood 1990 Vintage); **Thierry de Tournant**, vice president and CEO; and **Greg Lopez**.



SHARON A. HARRIS, **Tina H. Telle** and **Sally Zuck**



FRENCH Ambassador Rodolphe Vigier, **Annie Rocha** and **Sebastian Goussier**

Spirits having flown

By **Joey Sant**
Contributor

Of the seven glasses laid out before us at the recent charity dinner hosted by The Yellie of Anthony's Wines and Spirits in the beautiful Old Manila, only one wine glass remained untouched. Half a dozen different kinds of premium wines from French Philippe de Rothschild were served that evening, beginning with the Chateau 1997, whose pronounced flavor of very ripe fruit best noted perfectly with the first course of lobster of the sea.

The rich, honey-laced, luscious has become one of my late favorite—beginning in about two years old luscious with wine, and what better way to start a symposium on wine than with the classic and elemental for you, which sets up longer opportunities for the main discussion to ensue.

That same year was followed by a Wild Mountain Chateau in 1998, which went with a rich cream of the mountain I started to eat with the best of my spirit. The conversation was paired with the gently back Mountain Chateau 1998.

After enjoying the wine's ending notes of sweet luscious and dried apricot, we were served a 1998 of Grand Teton and Regal of South and South with Spiced Steaks and Red Wine Sauce—a beautiful combination of flavors complemented by Chef Gordon Cook.

At this point Thierry de Tournant, general manager of French Philippe de Rothschild 1998, played around with the wine and served the Chateau d'Amelise 1999 instead of Le Petit Chateau de Maruya Redwood 1998 as planned by The Yellie months in advance, a sign of the wine's dedication to people in the changes in their own minds.

But as food and wine matching is largely a question of personal taste. This left the matter to Thierry, the master gourmet, and we blissfully found an even more sense of fun and fun with the wine's dedication to people in the changes in their own minds.

Biggest struggle

The first time—unintentionally served in a rich sauce and complemented by pine and cream and apple balsamic—showed the degeneration of the Chateau Maruya Redwood 1998.

Finally, we had a dinner of Chateau 1997, Raspberry Sauce and Chateau de Maruya paired with the Chateau Chateau 1997, which was, following a note of French, even more so than the dessert it accompanied. The preparation by Maruya de Anthony, FR manager of Maruya de Maruya, were just like the past time around after dinner—perfect.

While the red wine glasses on the table caught light from the chandeliers and made the Old Manila window begins from a small fire, it was certainly better than The Yellie's experience that made the evening special.

As the spots of her customers with the Maruya Philippe de Rothschild, the social hardly consume her customers. Even for a wine lover who has walked the red carpet in Cannes, along with the stars and seen all the pomp and pageantry of the wine business, the experience of meeting the wine's history, the wine and the wine business was an unforgettable experience.

"With a taste like 'Philippe,' this said, 'the most really come into my country.' The business—also known—decided to hold the charity dinner the day before The Yellie's birthday—only we have been present that evening, but we all feel her gracefulness as the dinner drew a million back worth of wine for the dinner that benefited The

Lepore's Young-Wins Foundation.

The charity wine auction ended as the guests were full and mildly intoxicated—just as intended by host Anthony's Wines and Spirits. The happy winners were Marie Roche (Chateau Maruya Redwood 1998), Anne Roche (Le Petit Chateau de Maruya Redwood 1998) and Tina H. Telle (Chateau Maruya Redwood 1998).

The success of the auction rested on the shoulders of Jose "Pepito" Jimenez, VP for operations of Camp Maruya, as he took home a Chateau Maruya Redwood 1998. The Guide des Vins has described this wine as "a remarkable orange full of body, intense, deeply colored, with pears about it." Just perfect, as Pepito intends to open the bottle of wine from now, during the Chateau hall of Maruya. What a truly lovely gift!



BERNARD Schuler (winner of Chateau Maruya Redwood 1998 Vintage) with **Ms. Monica Cade** (Joey Sant)



Fahim Elouadi and **Paul Blum**



Ms. Lucille and **Philip Haggard**



FRANZ Liszt, **Thierry de Tournant**, and **Jeanne de Maruya** (winner of Chateau Maruya Redwood 1998 Vintage)



Dietrich von Pils, **G.H. Michael**



BERNIE Ben and **Graham Cade** of the Maruya Wine and Food Society

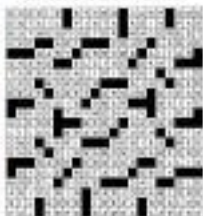


ANGELA and **Christine Telle**



HALF a dozen different kinds of premium wines from French Philippe de Rothschild were served at the Peninsula's Old Manila.

ANSWER TO SUNDAY CROSSWORDS





TRANSFORM: GARY VALENCIA
He brings down a different side of himself

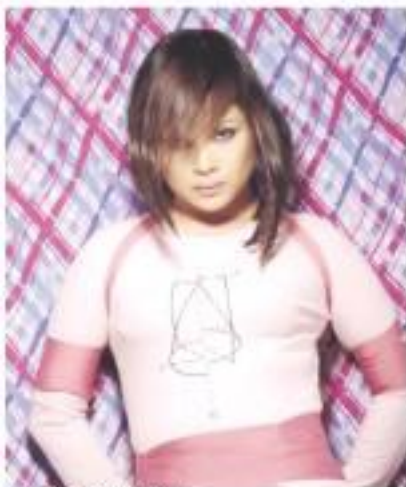


TRANSFORM: WESLEY GONZALEZ
The known basketball player used to sport a "bad boy" image, but is not as loud and aggressive as he appears in this portrait



TRANSFORM: PHIDRELA BARRIAGA
Her team made her "naughty" image with intelligence, depth and unpredictability

Anti-brand store transforms itself with new campaign



TRANSFORM: JUDY ANN SANTOL
She has her teeth and mouth a different, more personable side of her self—a strong young female, confident and unapologetic

A MONOMELIC, the sixteen-year-old lifestyle store that has built a market from the beachside to the generic, has launched a new campaign that promises to bring this retail phenomenon to another level.

Billy Legend, owner of Billy's Design, explains the concept as an infusion of the Latin word "brava," meaning "brave, beyond, through," into the store's mission of making good lifestyle products accessible and affordable to a wider market.

"Brava here is very dynamic," says Ann. "The Trans campaign is about letting everyone realize if you have a brand like that—anti-brand, yet basic, and generic—where do you take it next?"

With Trans, Billy and her team aim to give the brand identity while differentiating it from the slick Ricky brands all around the mall which all compete on the same level. Following last year's launch of "homemade" celebrity merchandise, namely singers Gary V and Pope Fernandez, popular actress Juli Ann Santos, top model Phidrela Barriaga, basketball player Wesley Gonzalez and model Jose Francisco, the new campaign will present them to the public in a completely different light.

The highlights of the store is the new groupings of the homegrown collection, or the "Trans collection," done by Neil Lucena and Claudio de la Cruz with by The Monomelic Group.

The graphics take different visual approaches—some are minimalist and playful.

"The idea behind the clothes and patterns and the way they're worn is to let the different individuals feel more confident and give life to the brand, instead of the other way around," says Phidrela Barriaga. "You'll see Gary V looking very much unlike his popular image, or Juli Ann Santos looking quite the opposite of her iconic character. All the models have another side to them that we want to be known for."

The idea is diverse and longer in the end, a colorful person trying to blend into his surroundings like a chameleon, only to have his personality shine through anyway. Instead of the short form of his individuality.

Which is the brand's main message to its target market: it's not the brand of your father, your, your old or your best friend, not their influence. It's your own individuality your uniqueness, yourself.

"Transcends is about flexibility and freedom from conforming to market trends," says Neil Lucena, the main behind Transcends. "I like the Trans campaign because it is an honest expression of the brand and its place in the market today. We need to continue to connect with our market and keep them interested by constantly showing them something exciting, different and new."



TRANSFORM: POPE FERNANDEZ
Singer-actress, wearing down hair, and the unadorned concert gear, she's being seen on the walls of Anomelic



TRANSFORM: TESSA PRIETO VALDES
She sports her accompanying remains after band, accessories will be showing into a background as colorful as she is

